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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : OC Equipment Board Members

DATE: 8 September 1976

25X1 FROM : [redacted]
Secretary, OC Equipment Board

SUBJECT: Minutes of OC Equipment Board Meeting No. 3-76

1. Meeting No. 3-76 of the OC Equipment Board was held on 7 September 1976. The following persons were in attendance:



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25X1 [redacted] opened the meeting by stating that its purpose was to decide what should be done with the remaining M-37 Teletype Equipment in OC Stock. An informal request has been received from DIA for our surplus M-37 equipment.

25X1 [redacted] gave the OC-E position that eleven M-37 ASR's and six M-37 KSR's should be retained in support of 55 ASR's and 17 KSR's in use worldwide.

2. The following points were brought out in the ensuing discussion:

a. The M-37 is the only teletype machine in our inventory capable of ASCII operation until the M-40 equipment is placed in the field in approximately 18 months. M-40's will be used in AFT and possibly as M-28 replacements.

b. There is an Executive Order requiring all Government agencies to convert to ASCII operation; however, the deadline for accomplishing this is extended every year. Crypto equipment for ASCII operation may be available in 1978 to 1979. It might be in the best interests of OC to retain all of the M-37 equipment until the M-40 series has proven satisfactory in field use.



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c. Also there will be M-37 equipment required for the Tandem Switch. OC should retain M-37's in case another agency decides to convert one of their circuits with us to ASCII.

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3. [redacted] asked [redacted] to make a formal proposal of the OC-E position. [redacted] made a motion that eleven ASR's and six KSR's be retained from the M-37 equipment in stock and the remaining equipment be disposed of (i.e., transferred to DIA). [redacted] seconded the motion. The vote was three for and three against, the motion did not carry.

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4. In the following discussion, a motion was made by [redacted] to retain the present M-37 equipment in stock and re-examine the question of disposal of these units in 90 days. In the meantime, several on-going programs will be reviewed in order to gain a better insight to this question. [redacted] seconded this motion and the vote was five votes for approval and one against.

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5. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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